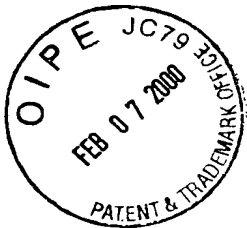


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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), an extension of time of:

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Two Months:	[]	\$ 380.00	[]	\$ 190.00
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is hereby requested to

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